

Meeting Summary

Meeting of the Primary Zone Study Committee
Monday, November 22, 2010 10:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m.
Walnut Grove Library, Walnut Grove

Meeting convened at 10:00 a.m.

Committee members present: Commissioners Ruhstaller, Vick, and Roberta Goulart (proxy for Commissioner Piepho)

Committee members not present: Commissioners Albright, Cabaldan, Ferguson, and Pegos
Commissioner Ruhstaller served as Chair

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The Committee and study consultants (Douglass Environmental) discussed the Primary Zone recommendations. Douglass Environmental developed three recommendations to present to the Legislature:

1. Re-designate the following study areas within the Secondary Zone as Primary Zone: the Central Cosumnes / Mokelumne River Area, Bethel Island and Andrus / Brannan Island.
2. Maintain the Secondary Zone designation for the following study areas: The Northern and Southern Cosumnes / Mokelumne River Areas, the City of Isleton (including its sewer treatment facility), and San Joaquin River/South Delta Floodplain.
3. Re-designate the Primary Zone area within the City of Rio Vista as Secondary Zone and expand the boundary of the legal Delta to include the boundaries of the entire City within the Secondary Zone.

These recommendations led to a discussion about the likelihood of the Legal Delta's boundaries expanded to include the entire city of Rio Vista. The Committee determined that further study would be needed for including the entire city of Rio Vista into the Legal Delta.

The Committee accepted the consultants' recommendation with the exception of recommendation three regarding re-designation of Rio Vista, and forwarded recommendations one and two to the full Commission for adoption.

Public Comment:

Bill Geyer, Discover the Delta, recommends leaving the parcels south of Tyler Island Road and Oxbow Marina out of the Primary Zone. Mr. Geyer also recommends the DPC to place the Discover the Delta facility in the Secondary Zone.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.